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1. Military Academy at Hranice (P50/025)

In order to quickly expand the Officers Corps with new and trustworthy members, it has been decided to enlarge the student body at the Military Academy. Eligible personnel in order of preference are: trustworthy cadets (aspiranti); petty officers; warrant officers under 30 years of age; and civilians. The examination of an applicant's political reliability is made by the local KSC in conjunction with the local SMB. Applicants from workmen's families have precedence. Because the present buildings of the Military Academy are not large enough to handle this sudden increase, other properties have been requisitioned including the Klic hotel at Teplice, the 40th Battalion barracks at Hranice, and the barracks at Lipnik.

2. Special Military Tribunals

It has been decided to organize special military tribunals in each division for use in case of war or exceptional internal disturbances. The three-member tribunal consists of a professional jurist and two army officers, one of whom must be an expert in law. These tribunals have the power to pass the death sentence and no appeal from the Tribunal's sentence will be possible. Jurist General Vane'k (fmu), the Public Military Attorney, has been charged with the organization of these tribunals.

3. Radar Train

[At the beginning of 1949, a radar train, composed of three railcars, was shifted from the Skoda Works and placed near Doudlevice (N50/L04). During February 1949, a fire of undetermined origin broke out in this train and the commander, an air officer, was arrested and was to be tried by the Military Tribunal at Plzen.]

4. Military Penitentiary at Opava (P50/029)

A penitentiary for military persons with sentences over one year has been established in the former legal building in Opava. This penitentiary is expected to be completed on 1 July 1949. Previously, military persons with more than one-year sentences were confined in Bory or Leopoldov (P49/T43).

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5. Political Schooling of Officers and Military Judges

Political education is becoming an increasing factor in judging the qualifications of an officer and, at present, a weekly minimum of 4 hours of political education must be taken by each officer. During the last week of May, all military attorneys attached to the district of the High Military Attorneyship in Prague attended a political school in Prague. Among other instructions, one was given to the effect that a military judge should show partiality to good members of the KSC when passing sentence.

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